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Fort Almanac—July 25.

Sun Rises	5.09 A M
Sun Sets	7.11 P M
Day's Length	14 h 09 m
High Water at Southport	4.11 A M
High Water at Wilmington	5.51 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., July 25.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 79 8 p. m., 88°; maximum, 90°; minimum 75°; mean, 83°

Rainfall for the day, .00, rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 1.58.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Light local scattered showers have fallen over the southern and eastern portions of the cotton belt during the past 24 hours. Fair weather continues over the western portion, with generally higher temperature over all districts.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Partly cloudy weather; southwesterly winds.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., July 23.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 15.4 feet.

OUTLINES

The fight between George Dixon and Dal Hawkins, San Francisco, was declared a draw. —— The Naumkeag mills, Salem, Mass., will shut down August 2nd for two weeks. —— The *British Government* is expected to give a definite answer in a few days to the proposal of the United States and France for a bimetallic conference. —— The Dingley Tariff bill finally passed the Senate and House yesterday evening and both bodies adjourned *sine die* at 9 o'clock p. m.; before adjournment a message from the President recommending a currency commission, was referred in the Senate to the Finance Committee. —— The Mallory Line has announced another cut in rates of freight from Galveston to New York. —— President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor has called a conference of trade unions to meet in Wheeling, W. Va., July 27th. —— A negro murderer was taken from jail at Pittsboro, Miss., by a mob and shot to death. —— Liabilities of Theodore H. Schintz, of Chicago, will reach a million dollars, with available assets of $100,000. —— The London Sunday *Times* predicts war between the United States and Great Britain because of the sealing dispute and the Alaska boundary question. —— Insurgents in Cuba attacked a town in Havana province and dynamited a railroad, causing great destruction. —— Gold discoveries in Alaska has started a fever in London. —— The steam yacht Ellide, at New York yesterday, made a mile in one minute and forty seconds. —— West Virginia coal mine strikers will hold a meeting to-day; if they fail to bring out the men an effort will be made to stop the running of trains. —— New York markets: Money on call was quoted steady at 1 per cent.; cotton quiet—middling 7 15-16c; flour weak at first, but improved with the jump in wheat; wheat—spot closed firm; No. 1 Northern New York—c afloat; corn—spot strong; No. 2 81c at elevator and —c afloat; rosin steady—strained common to good $1.60@1.65; spirits turpentine steady at 27@27½c.

At fifty cents a swallow it costs the Klondyker something to celebrate.

Tom Watson says the Pop. party is going to pieces. Tom is one of the pieces, and not a very big piece, either.

A New Jersey preacher contends that there are no female angels in heaven. Well maybe there are not. But we have 'em here and that suits us better.

A Western editor wants to know what's the use in being a man when a man can't go to dinner in his shirt sleeves, and a woman can go in her shirt waist.

It is reported that Russia wants to buy Carnegie's steel plant at Pittsburg and pull it up and take it to Russia. If they will take Carnegie in we'll try to stand it.

If a vote were taken in the territory of Klondyke the gold ticket would probably come out ahead. Mr. Bynum should go there and organize his little party.

Just about the time the organs got to puffing Secretary John Sherman away up for that snappy letter on the seal question, it turns out that John didn't write it, but that ex Secretary Foster did, and that Secretary Sherman put his name to it very reluctantly.

The Philadelphia *Ledger* paragraphist remarks that it would be better to slaughter all the seals in Behring sea than to have even a prospect of war with England. It would be better to slaughter them anyway. It takes too many fishes to feed 'em.

That story about the blasphemer burning up with a supernatural fire, which originated in Arkansas about a year ago, has got as far as Georgia from which it comes with some hair-lifting improvements. If nothing happens it may strike this State sometime before Christmas.

The subject of a ship canal from the lakes to the sea by way of the Hudson river continues to be agitated in New York. The estimated cost is $200,000,000. The New Yorkers would like to have the U. S. Government do the job for them.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

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A Philadelphia young man who complained of an uncomfortable, crawfishy sort of a feeling in the central region of his anatomy, found out what it was when the physician gave him an emetic and he surrendered thirty-six lizards, dead and alive, but most of them alive. He imbibed them drinking water, and it wasn't Chicago water, either. Here is another frightful example for the Kentuckian to point to.

Englishmen are getting their dander up because Kaiser William sent a lot of his carrier pigeons—about 2,000—over there to be turned loose from Dover. They construe this as a piece of Kaiserish impudence, without so much as asking leave. If the Kaiser wants to fly his pigeons and not have any jawing about it let him send 'em over here.

Mr. Felt, of Missouri, who has been inventing some sort of a machine to scoot through the air, proposes to take a flier from Pike's Peak and a drop of 8,000 feet to the plain below. It may come out all right if the drop shouldn't be too sudden, as it were.

The Republican organs are hailing the approach of prosperity which they say must come as a result of the big crops. So it is the big crops after all, and not the big tariff that is to bring us prosperity.

The Florida men who have gone to raising "Cuba" tobacco are not getting wild at the gold talk from Alaska. They have a good enough thing at home when they can make $1,500 an acre on that crop.

Hon. Tom Watson had to take about five columns of his paper to write the obituary of his party, when he could have laid it out as cold as ice with about two lines by simply turning it over to Dr. Butler.

With eggs at $2 a dozen, a man with a hennery of reasonably industrious hens ought to do pretty well in the Klondyke country, provided he could keep the hens from freezing to death.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SUMMER Resorts.
D. L. GORE—Flour.
SCHOOLS and Colleges.
THE SNEED CO.—Howdy.
FOR SALE—Refrigerator.
A. D. BROWN—Remnants.
REPORT—City sinking fund.
R. W. HICKS—N. C. hams.
A. PREMPERT—Barber shop.
SEACOAST ROAD—Schedule.
S. W. SANDERS—N. C. hams.
JAS WILSON—Don't pay rent.
R. R. BELLAMY—Turnip seed.
STR. WILMINGTON—Schedule.
CONCERT—At Carolina Beach.
BONEY & HARPER—Buy the best.
FAYETTEVILLE Military Academy.
J. W. MURCHISON—Summer goods.
W. B. COOPER—New catch mullets.
J. L. HILL—Wilmington Directory.
COOKING EXHIBIT—Parlor market.
OWEN F. LOVE & CO.—Stencil cutting
MEETING—Wil. & Newbern R. R. Co.
MERCER & EVANS Shoes for everyb'dy
J. H. REHDER & CO—Great bargains.
GEO. O. GAYLORD—Meet'g on a level
WIL. SAVINGS & TRUST CO.—To depositors.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

DR. GALLOWAY—Notice.
W. R. MORRISON—Bicycle store.

Forgery and Larceny.

A short time ago Amos Jones, colored, was arrested by the police on suspicion of having stolen a quantity of lead which he was offering for sale in a mysterious manner, and showing a note signed by a sea captain, stating that he was selling the lead for him. In the Police Court Jones was bound over to the Criminal Court for forgery. It has since transpired that the lead offered for sale by Jones was the property of the revenue cutter *Morrill* and consequently United States Commissioner R. H. Bunting issued a warrant for Jones' arrest, which was executed, and the accused will be given a hearing to-morrow morning.

Mecklenburg Camp Confederate Veterans.

The first annual encampment of Mecklenburg Camp Confederate Veterans will be held at Wrightsville on Tuesday. Those who have had the making of arrangements in hand have worked with the view of making the encampment a great success, and have secured the very lowest rates obtainable at the hotels, besides getting the reasonable rate of $3 50 for round trip over the Seaboard Air Line. Not only the veterans, but their families and friends also are requested to be present. The Camp will remain until July 31st, leaving in a body at 3.30 p. m., though the tickets are good to return on any regular train before.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— For other locals see fourth page.

— See fourth page for new advertisements.

— The O. A. N. ball team defeated the Atlantic team yesterday by a score of 25 to 4.

— The Sneed Company offer bargains in furniture, etc., through the columns of the STAR.

— Friday night Policeman Holmes shot a mad dog near the corner of Water and Market streets.

— Several colored candidates for baptism will receive the ordinance at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

— Register of Deeds Norwood the past week issued marriage licenses to one white and two colored couples.

— There was a great deal of unfavorable comment yesterday on the severity of the sentence in the Howland case.

— Both morning and evening services at the First Baptist Church to-day will be conducted by Rev. J. J. Adams, of Southport.

— Regular services at Seamen's Bethel this afternoon at 8 o'clock. Special invitation extended to sailors and river men.

— A number of "Banks" ponies were brought here Friday over the W. N. & N. railroad from Carteret county, and were taken to Southport.

— A complaint of irregularity in receipt of the STAR at Tomahawk, received yesterday, will be referred to the postal authorities immediately.

— The postoffice building has been furnished with new window shades, the contract for the same having been awarded to J. H. Rehder & Co.

— Joe Caldwell, of the Charlotte *Observer*, confessedly knows nothing about the "initiative and referendum;" but if you want to see him scintillate tackle him on airships.

— Rev. Dr. W. M. Leftwich, the evangelist who so successfully held a meeting in this city a few weeks ago, is here and will preach at Grace M. E. Church to-day, both morning and night.

— As usual on Saturdays, there were a large number of visitors in the city yesterday seeking the breezes that play so refreshingly in this section of the Atlantic coast. About 150 came in via the Seaboard Air Line.

— Last night two colored boys were going around the streets trying to sell a set of harness at a very low price. The captain of police placed two officers on the trail of the suspects and succeeded in arresting one of them, Robert Williams.

— A dog went off into fits near Front street market yesterday afternoon, and the mad-dog scare was on in short time. It turned out that the canine was suffering from the excessive heat, and the application of some cold water brought him around and relieved the suspense of the spectators.

AT OCEAN VIEW.

Carolina Yacht Club—The Ladies' Race—An Exciting Contest—Won by the Sprite—Presentation of Prizes.

The Ladies' yacht race, under the auspices of the Carolina Yacht Club, was quite a drawing card at Ocean View yesterday afternoon, and was witnessed by a large crowd. The course was six miles, three trips, to and from the wharf opposite the Carolina Yacht Club house and Ocean View.

The race was won by the Sprite, commanded by Miss Augusta Wiggins, with the Mist, commanded by Mrs. Ancrum Lord, a close second. After the race the crews of the different yachts and the members of the Carolina Club assembled at the club house, where Miss Annie Moore, in a neat and exceedingly appropriate address, delivered the prizes.

The first prize was a handsome ladies' belt, with gold buckles, and the second prize was a cut glass vinigarette.

The start of the competing boats was as follows: Sprite, 4.30; Bubble, 4.30.18; Mabel, 4 31.42; Frolic, 4.35.14; Mist, 4.37.9; Ripple, 4.40.47; Vitesse, 4.39.1; Mascot, 4 40 56.

The finish was in the following order: Sprite, 6.34; Mist, 6.36; Mabel, 6.37.10; Frolic, 6 45; Mascot, 6 46.8; Bubble, 6.50.50.

The Vitesse suffered an accident and could not finish.

In charge of the boats were the following ladies: Miss Eliza Metts, Mabel; Miss Augusta Wiggins, Sprite; Miss Ancrum Lord, Mist; Miss Florie Maffitt, Bubble; Miss Anna Peck, Frolic; Miss Abbie Chadbourn, Ripple; Miss Georgia McRae, Mascot; Miss Mary Calder, Vitesse.

Concert To-day at Carolina Beach.

The Second Regiment Band of Charlotte, which has been in camp at Carolina Beach for the past week, will give a grand concert to-day. The members of the band have made many friends during their stay at the beach, and as this is probably the last concert they will give, there will most likely be a large number of people to go down. The steamer *Wilmington* will observe convenient schedule, as may be seen by reading the ad. in another column.

To Fayetteville Subscribers.

In explanation of the failure of the STAR to reach Fayetteville last Thursday, we will state that the regular postal clerk on the C. F. & Y. V. road was sick that day and that his substitute placed the four bundles of STARS for Fayetteville in the bag made up for points beyond there. The result, of course, was that the papers did not reach our Fayetteville subscribers until the next day.

CRIMINAL COURT.

Fred. P. Howland Sentenced to Eight Years in the Penitentiary—A Mis-trial in the Styron-Thompson Case.

Upon the convening of the Criminal Court yesterday morning the trial of the case against Henry Styron and Fletcher Thompson, the two young white men charged with turning in a false alarm of fire, was resumed, and two speeches were made—by C. P. Lockey, Esq., for the defence, and Solicitor Richardson for the State. The Judge then charged the jury and they retired. After the jury had been out a long time, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that an agreement could not be reached, a mistrial was ordered.

Fred. P. Howland, convicted of stealing a horse and buggy, under an act where the intent to commit a larceny was not necessary, was brought into court to be sentenced.

Several witnesses, ex-Mayor W. N. Harriss, ex-Mayor John J. Fowler and Chief of Police John R. Melton were examined in regard to the defendant's character, and all swore that Howland's reputation was bad, and had been so for a number of years.

C. P. Lockey, Esq., representing the State, urged upon the court to make the sentence a long one, in view of the fact that Howland's reputation was bad, and had been so for a number of years, and that eight of the twelve jurors who had sat and tried Howland for arson, had declared him guilty, and that the jury in the horse stealing case had convicted Howland, making him (Howland) out a perjurer, for he had gone upon the witness stand and, under oath, declared that he never committed the crime.

Judge Sutton commented upon the evidence which had been given about Howland's bad character, and said that he had received communications from prominent merchants of this city, saying that Howland ought to be kept out of this community. He then sentenced Howland to eight years at hard labor in the State penitentiary.

C. P. Lockey, Esq., then took a "nol pros. with leave" in the case against Howland for setting fire to Messrs. Robinson & King's naval stores yard, and announced that at the expiration of eight years if Howland returned to New Hanover county the case would then be re-opened and pressed.

Court at 11 o'clock took a recess until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

In the Styron-Thompson case, for sending in a false alarm of fire, the jury stood seven for acquittal and five for conviction. The jury was constituted as follows: Eben Horton, E. J. Dale, Lewis Gordon, J. M. King, I. N. Moore, C. B. Capps, S. A. Craig, Ed. Yopp, P. D. Cowan, J. W. Eubank, Thomas Williams and Benjamin Motte.

EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENTS.

Mr. B. W. Hicks, Wholesale Grocer, Makes Some Important Additions to His Large Wholesale Establishment.

The STAR is always glad to note the spirit of progressiveness and activity which characterizes the wholesale merchants of the city, and it takes pleasure in calling the attention of its readers to some very considerable additions to the already extensive wholesale establishment of Mr. R. W. Hicks.

Cold storage facilities are a convenience to a wholesale merchant and almost a necessity when he carries large quantities of butter, cheese and fruits. And it is elegantly fitted up dry cold storage rooms that have been recently added to Mr. Hicks' establishment.

The cold storage rooms are at the rear of the store on the first floor, extending up to the second floor and are three in number. One of them is a large commodious room, some 15x15 feet, and will be used for cheese. Connecting with this is another room, about 10x14 feet. The temperature here is anything but a "hot number." In fact, one feels that he has stepped out of July into bleak Winter when he enters the apartment to be used in keeping butter and perishable fruit in good condition.

The third division, communicating with the one just described, will be used for bananas, and is equipped with an arrangement of hooks to hang the bunches on.

The ice box which furnishes the cold, by driving away the heat, is of such dimensions as to require eight tons of ice.

The material is on the ground for another improvement. It will be an elevated transfer track or railway, quite ingenious and different from anything in use in the city. It will be constructed according to special plans made by Messrs. Burr & Bailey.

By this arrangement goods can be unloaded from the car on the track in front of the store and carried to the cold storage plant in about one-fourth the time ordinarily consumed. The packages or barrels, as the case may be, are placed on platforms, of which there will be twelve, suspended from the track, but sufficiently high as not to interfere with passage below. The track will be endless, so that the suspended platform or carrier can driven a long on the rollers to which it is attached until it arrives at the place for unloading, after which it is only a question of a few moments before the carrier is back again at the railroad car for another load.

The arrangement is a most ingenious one and there seems to be no doubt but that it will work like a charm.

Arm Dislocated.

A colored man, one William Harriss, threw a stone at a clerk in a grocery store in the eastern part of the city yesterday, hitting him on the arm and dislocating it. The trouble arose from the disorderly conduct of the colored man. The injured man's arm was set by Dr. J. T. Schonwald.

Let the Star Follow You.

STAR subscribers who are going away for the Summer will receive the paper regularly by mail by leaving orders for it at this office. Addresses will be changed as often as desired.

A SERIOUS CHARGE.

Negro Arrested for Criminal Assault on a Colored Woman—Committed to Jail for Trial at the Criminal Court.

A party of four colored men from Messrs. Powers & Gibbs' fertilizer works came to the city early yesterday morning, about 1 o'clock, and obtained a warrant for the arrest of Geo. Johnson, colored, charging him with criminal assault (as told in the STAR yesterday.) The warrant was placed in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Flynn, and at 9 o'clock Deputy Flynn, accompanied by the party of colored men, went over to Meares' Bluff and arrested Johnson, who was in his house asleep at the time. He was brought to this city and placed in jail.

Yesterday afternoon at 12 30 o'clock Johnson was given a hearing before Justice Bunting, C. P. Lockey, Esq., and D. B. Sutton, Esq., representing the defendant.

Johnson is charged with committing a criminal assault upon Lou Berta, colored, who lives a mile and a quarter from Clinton, and who came to this city Friday on an excursion from that town. The crime is alleged to have taken place just on the other side of Hilton bridge late Friday afternoon.

The woman testified that she came to the city Friday morning on an excursion from Clinton; several of her relatives were also along; that she met Geo. Johnson and he prevailed upon her to take a walk with him to Meares' Bluff, where he resided, and that when she was returning to the city later, in order to go back to Clinton, that Johnson made a criminal assault on her, threatening her with a pistol and regardless of her cries and entreaties; that she screamed, and a colored man, Henry Speers, heard her scream, and came to her rescue, and after an altercation with her assailant, during which Johnson drew a pistol on Speers, he made him let her alone.

Henry Speers testified that Friday night he was returning to Powers & Gibbs' works, where he lives with his family; that just as he reached the end of Hilton bridge, on the west side, he heard the plaintive and affecting cries of a woman; that he ran in the direction of the screams, and discovered Johnson holding a woman, who was crying; that he (the witness) had some hot words over it, and Johnson drew a pistol on him; that finally, after the watchman, Henry Boyken, colored, came up, he got the woman away from Johnson and took her to his house, where she stayed over night; that Johnson fired his pistol two or three times.

Dr. A. H. Harriss was also examined in regard to the condition of the woman.

The defendant introduced no testimony, and but one argument in his behalf was made by D. B. Sutton, Esq.

Justice Bunting sent the accused to jail without bail, (which is not allowed in a case of this nature) to await trial at the present term of the Criminal Court.

Johnson is from South Carolina, and the crime for which he stands charged is punishable by death.

A warrant has also been issued against the same defendant by Justice Bunting, charging him with assaulting Henry Speers with a pistol.

TRADE EXCURSIONS.

A Popular Means of Bringing New Business to the Mercantile Community.

Richmond and other cities are at present engaged in an effort to bring new business to the wholesale merchants by a series of trade excursions. It would seem that the same thing could be done in Wilmington as well as anywhere else.

The plan is to get low rates over the various roads running into the city, thus enabling the out-of-town merchant to come and made a personal examination of the stocks of goods without any extraordinary expense. It is, of course, embraced in the plan of procedure to get special rates and "do the agreeable" for the visitor in the most entertaining way.

The New York Merchants' Association have tried the scheme with marked success. The New Yorkers, however, instead of having special excursions, secure a round-trip rate of one and one-third fare during special seasons.

The Richmond papers have been agitating the question no little and the Chamber of Commerce of that city has appointed a committee on trade excursions, the members of which have gone to work vigorously to see what concessions can be had of the railroads.

The wholesale merchants in Wilmington will doubtless see to it that as little as possible of the trade rightfully belonging to this city shall be carried elsewhere. It can do all this and more by arranging for a series of excursions similar to those contemplated in Richmond.

The country merchants would appreciate such a step, no question about that, and they would show their appreciation by making purchases, which they might otherwise make from other cities. Baltimore, Richmond, New York—all the cities have—these excursions. Wilmington will have to get in line. Why shouldn't the matter come up for consideration at the meeting to be held soon at the Seashore Hotel?

The following paragraph from an editorial in the Richmond *Dispatch* is quoted as fitting the conditions here precisely:

What is wanted here is a concerted movement, so strong that it will inspire us with confidence and command the respect of all with whom we propose to deal. We should acquire a strength that will not spend itself in a few excursions, but that will last a long time. It is only by combining and by encouraging one another that we will be able to hold our position among the cities of the country. A great display of public spirit here at this time would be worth thousands and thousands of dollars to us.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Governor Russell arrived in the city last night.

— Mr. Ed. David left last night for New York city.

— Mr. John H. Cook, of Laurinburg, was here yesterday.

— Mr. B. M. Fennell left last evening for a Northern tour.

— Mr. A. B. Nichols, of Nichols, S. C., was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. G. Barrentine left yesterday for New York city on business.

— Mr. D. E. Gilchrist, of Nichols, S. C., was one of yesterday's arrivals.

— Mr. L. F. Telfair, of Raleigh, was here yesterday going down to Ocean View.

— Mr. Charles Hewitt, of Southport, was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

— Mr. John P. Cameron, of Laurinburg, was among yesterday's arrivals.

— Mr. Jno. R. Turrentine returned yesterday from a business trip to New York city.

— Mr. L. A. Bizzell, of Hub, was here yesterday on his way to the seashore for Sunday.

— Judge Sutton and Solicitor Richardson went to Carolina Beach yesterday to spend Sunday.

— Mr. Albert Creasy and wife and Miss Carrie Platt left yesterday to spend some time at Mount Airy.

— Mr. J. W. Norwood, President of the Atlantic National Bank, is in Morehead City attending the Bankers' meeting.

— Rev. J. A. Smith, of Fair Bluff, was in the city yesterday en route to Matthews' Station to conduct a series of meetings.

— Mr. A. B. Raiford and wife, who have been spending some time at the seashore, returned to their home in Fayetteville yesterday.

— Capt. G. B. Sellers and wife, of Maxton, were among the arrivals yesterday. They went to the seaside and will return home to-morrow.

— Among the arrivals in the city yesterday were Mr. H. T. Jones and wife, Lumberton; Messrs. W. H. and J. T. Gibson, Gibson's; Mr. J. M. Rogers, Mullins, S. C., and Messrs. W. E. and J. W. James, Darlington, S. C.

BASE BALL.

The National League—Result of Yesterday's Games and Other Interesting Features.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Boston, 5; Louisville, 2.
Pittsburg, 16; Baltimore, 3.
New York, 7; Chicago, 5.
St. Louis, 7; Washington, 5.
Cleveland, 9; Philadelphia, 0.
Cincinnati—Brooklyn—rain.

WHERE THEY PLAY TO DAY.

Louisville at Chicago.
Brooklyn at Cincinnati.
Baltimore at Cleveland.
Washington at St. Louis.

WHERE THEY PLAY TO-MORROW.

Boston at St. Louis.
Cincinnati at Chicago.
New York at Cleveland.
Brooklyn at Louisville.
Philadelphia at Pittsburg.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Per Cent
Boston	53	32	.706
Cincinnati	46	35	.647
Baltimore	47	36	.643
New York	44	30	.594
Cleveland	43	33	.578
Philadelphia	39	40	.493
Pittsburg	35	39	.473
Brooklyn	32	39	.450
Louisville	34	43	.441
Chicago	34	44	.435
Washington	28	45	.383
St. Louis	16	59	.213

HOW THEY STOOD JULY 24TH, 1896.

CLUBS.	Per cent	CLUBS.	Per cent
Cincinnati	.688	Philadelphia	.449
Cleveland	.679	Brooklyn	.449
Baltimore	.667	Washington	.438
Chicago	.571	New York	.403
Pittsburg	.551	St. Louis	.395
Boston	.546	Louisville	.358

Now Cincinnati holds second place.

The Phillies refused to accept the umpire's rulings in yesterday's game, and it was decided against them by a score of 9 to 0 in the ninth inning. The Phillies had the Indians dead beat.

Meekin proved too much for the Colts yesterday, while Friend, pitching his second successive game, was easy to New York.

In the Pittsburg-Baltimore game played yesterday Hoffmeister, the Pirates' new third baseman, batted in five runs in three times at the bat, and figured in four other tallies.

New Invention.

Mr. A. E. Blake, of this city, has invented a machine which will prove a great economizer and convenience to truckers. The invention is a seed dropper and planter, and is especially designed for planting peanuts. In front of the machine projects a large blade, which ploughs the ground; then comes the dropping and planting apparatus, and behind this are two more blades, which cover up the freshly ploughed ground. The machine will prove a great labor saver, as it can be operated with one draught animal and a person. Mr Blake has secured a patent on his invention.

Charleston and Wilmington Bands.

The members of the Second Regiment Band of Wilmington will meet at their band room Monday night to prepare for a visit from the Charlotte band, now sojourning at Carolina Beach. The visiting band will be received on the following night.

VERDICT OF GUILTY

IN THE CASE OF JULIA HESTER VERSUS THOS. ROBERTSON.

A Roaring Wind Storm in Raleigh—Bad Washout on the S. A. L.—Escaped Convict Recaptured—The Governor's Guards—Sheriff's Convention.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, July 24.

After a tedious trial of four days the case against Thomas Robertson for the seduction of Julia Hester under promise of marriage, has been finished. Judge Robertson concluded his charge shortly after 6 o'clock last evening and in less than fifteen minutes the jury returned a verdict of guilty, whereupon the Judge sentenced Robertson to five years on the roads. An appeal has been taken. Robertson gave a $3,000 bond. The defendant was represented by Messrs. Argo, Battle, Douglass and Snow, while Solicitor Pou was assisted by Messrs. Armistead, Jones, Ryan and Judge Boykin.

Raleigh was visited by a roaring wind storm at 1 30 this morning. It roused the soundest sleepers, but no damage has been reported thus far.

It is said that there are a thousand men in Wake county who have heretofore been evading paying their poll tax. If they are attempting the same game this year, the jail will be overflowing. A lively time may be expected when imprisonment for failure to pay taxes begins.

Tom Schedwich, an escaped convict from Rowan county, has been recaptured and returned to the State prison. Tom is of a serious disposition, and did not enjoy the festivities at the pen, so he departed of his own account, after serving two weeks of his seven years.

The Governor's Guards will return from Nashville, where they have been spending the week, to-morrow night.

The Sheriffs' convention next week promises to be well attended.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Judge Robinson refused Marcus Smith an injunction to prevent the Secretary of State carrying out the contract with the Williams Company for the sale of the Supreme Court Reports. An appeal was taken.

A bad washout near Gaston delayed the S. A. L. afternoon mail train four hours.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Services in St. John's church to-day, fifth Sunday after Trinity, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael, at 7.45 and 11 a. m. and 5 p. m.

Services at St. James' church this morning will be as usual, except no early communion.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt pastor. English service at 11 a. m. No service at night. Sunday school at 4 30 p. m. All seats free.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, Fourth street above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Preparatory service and communion at 11 o'clock. No service at night. Sunday school at 9 30 a. m. All seats free, and every person cordially invited.

Services at St. John's church, Tenth and Dawson steets, 11 a. m., 8 and 8 p. m. to-day. Baptism at 2 p. m. at foot of Queen street. S. King pastor.

COLORED CHURCHES.

Grace Lutheran Mission, Rev. Aug. Burgdorf, pastor. Divine services at the new Phœnix Hall, near Fourth street bridge, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m.

St. Stephens' A. M. E church, corner Fifth and Red Cross streets, E. J. Gregg, pastor. Preaching to-day at 10.30 a. m. and 8 15 p. m. by the pastor. Evening subject: "Paul on Mars Hill." A cordial invitation to everybody to worship with us.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—17 casks spirits turpentine, 80 bbls rosin, 11 bbls tar, 16 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—50 casks spirits turpentine, 191 bbls rosin, 16 bbls tar, 11 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—32 casks spirits turpentine, 119 bbls rosin, 8 bbls tar, 5 bbls crude turpentine, 1 bale cotton.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—14 casks spirits turpentine, 164 bbls rosin.

Schooner Argyle—14 casks spirits turpentine, 36 bbls rosin.

Schooner William—60 casks spirits turpentine, 164 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 1 bale; spirits turpentine, 266 casks; rosin, 787 bbls; tar, 51 bbls; crude turpentine, 33 bbls.

PENDER COUNTY

Has Boston Brunswick and Wake Counties in Appointing School Committees.

EDITOR STAR—I see in your weekly issue of to-day that you say "that in Brunswick county, every township but one, there are two negro Republicans on the school committee." Pender county can beat that. She has not one township in the county but what has two negro committeemen elected by a Democratic board.

They had a list, furnished by request, from a good many townships, composed entirely of white men for committeemen, and yet the board deliberately and against the wishes of the white people, took good white men from the list and appointed negroes in their stead.

The *News and Observer* man ought to come down in Pender and take a good look at some of the newly elected negro committeemen, and I think that he wont be so anxious to have the special school tax levied.

There is a negro elected in this township who cannot read the Lord's prayer correctly. PENDER DEMOCRAT.

July 24th, 1897.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cent

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Funeral of the Late Mrs. R. A. Hodges.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Rachel A. Hodges took place yesterday from Fifth Street M. E. church, and the solemn services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. L. Cunnaggim, in the presence of a goodly number of mourning friends and relatives.

At the conclusion of the services at the church the remains were taken to Oakdale Cemetery for interment. The pall-bearers were Messrs. John E. Silvia, W. A. Yarborough, J. M. McGowan and A. C. Exell.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Concert at Carolina Beach, SUNDAY, JULY 25th,

BY THE SECOND REGIMENT BAND OF CHARLOTTE. Steamer will leave at 10 a. m. and 2.30 p. m. Returning, will leave Beach at 12.30 and 7.00 p. m. jy 25 1t

Refrigerator For Sale.

A "BELDING'S PERFECTION" REFRIGerator, but little used and good as new, will be sold at a bargain. Address R. F. S., or apply in person, at the STAR OFFICE. jy 25 3t

Prempert's Barber Shop,

NO. 11 SOUTH FRONT STREET, FIRST-class Work at Reasonable Prices. Give us a call.

Respectfully, ARTHUR PREMPERT

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2,000 Pounds New Mullets.
1,150 Bags Liverpool Salt.
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1,100 Rolls Bagging.
1,700 Pounds Soap.
650 Kegs Nails.
100 Boxes Meat.
400 Bales Hay.
Prices on application.

W. B. COOPER.

jy 25 D&W tf Wilmington, N. C.

Report

OF COMMISSIONER OF SINKING FUND for City of Wilmington, N. C.

ON HAND APRIL 1st, 1895.

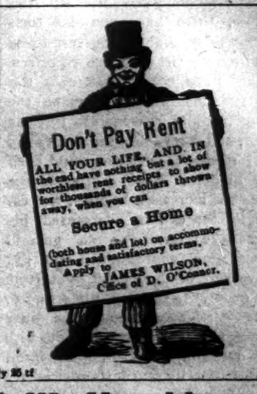
16 City Bonds	$11,000.00
1 City Note	10,000.00
Proof of Claim Bank of New Hanover	400.78
Cash	1,850.87
	$24,177.65

ON HAND JULY 1st, 1897.

27 City Bonds	$19,100.00
1 City Note	10,000.00
Proof of Claim Bank of New Hanover	392.77
Cash	732.78
	$30,225.55

W. H. CHADBOURN, Commissioner of Sinking Fund.

WILMINGTON, July 24th, 1897. jy 25 1t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ALL YOUR LIFE, AND IN the end have nothing but a lot of worthless rent receipts to show for thousands of dollars thrown away, when you can
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(both house and lot) on accommodating and satisfactory terms. Apply to JAMES WILSON, Office of D. O'Connor.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, JULY 25, 1897

TWIN FRAUDS.

We are told by the advocates of the gold standard that the gold standard is a good thing and the only thing that can ensure permanent prosperity. We are told by the high tariff protectionists that a high tariff is a good thing and the only thing that can bring and ensure permanent prosperity. But the gold standard and the high tariff as prosperity promoters are twin frauds—frauds of the first order. We have had high protective tariffs for thirty odd years and we have had the gold standard in practice, if not in law, for twenty-four years, and if there was anything in one or both as prosperity producers and preservers we would be rolling in prosperity and have lots to spare to some of our friendly neighbors who were less fortunate.

But what are the facts? Where is the prosperity? Twenty-five years ago we started on the down grade and have been descending ever since, a steady toboggan slide, sometimes going fast, sometimes not so fast, but going all the same. Will any one who knows what the condition of the people and the country was twenty-five years ago question this? If he doubts it let him think of the multiplying army of tramps which has sprung up within that time and infest every section of country; this homeless, friendless host of vagabonds, moving like birds of passage with the seasons in quest of something to eat. Let him think of the smaller host of millionaires, created by the same process which created the tramps, apparently incredible as this may seem.

Under favoring class legislation one millionaire means a thousand paupers, for there was never a million acquired with other than honest industry (and that would rank as a miracle) that is not the result of the plunder of others, of thousands of others, whose money, whose labor and whose sweat go to make these speedily acquired millions. Forty-five thousand families own half the aggregate wealth of this country. Where did that enormous wealth come from? Out of the other 11,055,000 families. In other words these 45,000 families have by taking advantage of favoring class legislation absorbed this much of the wealth that would have been distributed among the people if we had honest, impartial laws that gave every citizen an equal chance and discriminated in favor of none.

Is this prosperity? Can a country be fairly called prosperous in which the few are absorbing the wealth and the substance of the many, and where public policies are shaped to make this possible and perpetuate it? And that is precisely what the gold standard and the high tariff protective policy has been doing and is doing to-day, making more millionaires, more paupers, more tramps and more anarchists.

For twenty-five years the farmers of this country, constituting the great bulk of our producing population, have been favored with good crops. In all that time, while there may occasionally have been a partial failure, there has been no such thing as a general failure, but there has been a general failure of prices, falling prices, until it was only the thrifty farmer who could make the farm pay him reasonably for his labor, and it was only the thrifty and the fortunate farmer who could keep out of debt. Real estate in the cities has increased in price, real estate in the country decreased because the farms as a general thing were unprofitable, and the movement of the people was from the country to the city, preferring to take their chances among the busy throng than wear themselves out with the unrecompensed toil of the farm. The prosperity of the farmer is the test of general prosperity. When he prospers all prosper. When he suffers all feel it, save, perhaps, the few whom favoring legislation enables to levy tribute upon the masses, or accumulate money by sharp practices, encouraged by favoring legislation. That has been the condition of this country more or less for the past twenty-five years, and yet in all this time we have had the gold standard and the high protective tariff, the prosperity promoters, the twin frauds.

With all the experience we have had, with our impoverished farmers, with laborers struggling and striking for living wages, with the army of tramps scattered over the country, with one-half the railroad mileage of the country in the hands of receivers, with farming lands in some sections of the country worth less than they were twenty years ago, with thousands of acres of these lands abandoned because their owners couldn't live on them or find purchasers, with millions upon millions of dollars locked up in the vaults of the money centers because it cannot find profitable investment, with all this it is still proposed to perpetuate these twin frauds and let the country go on and suffer. Are we never to learn by experience, or are we always to be the victims of combines and plunderers?

The gold issue is the looming one in Alaska.

MINOR MENTION.

We have been reading newspapers for a long time, but we are sure we have never read within the same time of as many cases of the outlawed crime that invokes speedy retribution as we have read of within the past couple of weeks. There is not a day that one or more cases are not reported, and generally accompanied by the announcement of one or more hangings, which may be looked for as a matter of course if the perpetrator be captured. The devil that possesses these brutes does not seem to exempt either tottering age or infancy from their attacks, for among the victims reported are mothers upon whose heads the snows of scores of winters have fallen and children scarcely out of babyhood. No wonder the avengers are swift to pursue and swift to execute when the fiend is captured. And yet, strange to say, knowing as most of the perpetrators of these assaults do that they outlaw themselves and need look for no mercy if captured, this crime seems to be on the increase, and also the reckless boldness with which it is perpetrated. Why this is so it is hard to tell, unless it be that the devil is at large and has put an extra force in the field. If the prospect of speedy death does not deter, it is not easy to tell what will. It may be, and perhaps it is the case, that the perpetrators, if they think of the consequences at all, count on race sympathy and co-operation in escaping detection or punishment if apprehended, and for that reason the colored people who respect themselves and would have their race respected should take some organized action in denouncing this crime and not only letting the perpetrators know that they need expect no sympathy from them, but that on the contrary they would co-operate with the avengers in hunting them down and visiting upon them the punishment they invite. This might have some good effect. It certainly would if the declaration were followed up by active effort to hunt the fiends down.

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A Vancouver, B. C., dispatch, published a couple days ago, represents Count Okuna, the Foreign Minister of Japan, as saying that Japan is more opposed to the annexation of Hawaii by the United States on account of the future than the present importance of the Islands. Their importance will be immensely increased, he truly says, by the construction of the Nicaragua or Panama canal, and for that reason it is necessary that the islands remain independent. This is one of the reasons why Japan protests against annexation to the United States or to any other country. This dispatch may or may not be a true report of Count Okuna's statement as to the reasons for Japan's position on that question, but the strongest reason that he gives for Japan's opposition is the strongest reason why this country should be for annexation. Japan is looking to the future and as a commercial nation which expects to figure much more largely in the future than she does now she appreciates the value of these islands to the nation that can control them. As a commercial nation that expects to figure much more largely in the future than we do now we should also appreciate their value and avail ourselves of the opportunity of securing possession of them while we can. We are not hankering for any more mixed populations, but the commerce of the Pacific will grow into colossal proportions in the years to come and if we expect to compete with rival nations we must provide a resting place for our ships in that vast watery domain.

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We called attention a few days ago to an article in the Asheville *Citizen*, giving the results of farming this year on the Biltmore farm, showing what good culture will do even on "old red hills." A still better object lesson is presented by the Greensboro *Record*, which states that Mr. J. S. Ragsdale, of Jamestown, about ten miles from Greensboro, gets 100 bushels of oats to the acre, and doesn't consider that a very remarkable yield; but when it is stated that when Mr. Ragsdale bought the place on which these oats were grown his friends told him he would have to "rent a cow pasture," as he could never make a pasture of the land be bought, it may be considered a very remarkable yield. Mr. Ragsdale, in a note to the *Record*, says he is not pursuing "intensive" farming, as he has so many other things to engage his attention, but he brought this land to its present state of fertility with clover and cow peas, saving the hay and turning under the stubble, all of which shows what can be done with North Carolina land under good, and not expensive, treatment.

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed when the languid, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, Indigestion, Dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50c. and $1.00 at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: The death of Mrs. Almary King occurred Thursday night at her home in this city, from heart disease, in the 72nd year of her age.

— Windsor *Ledger*: The bed of the new railroad has been laid within five miles from here. By the first of next month Windsor will be reached. Then three more weeks will be required to lay the rails.

— Rocky Mount *Argonaut*: The change in the crops in this section for the last two weeks has been almost marvelous Corn is good, and cotton better than for several years. Tobacco is greatly improved, and a fine crop will be made.

— Raleigh *Press Visitor*: The revenue officers have been on the war path for the past few weeks. Among their conquests was a still captured near Franklinton and a quantity of beer. Two stills have been captured in Wayne county this week and a barrel of North Carolina corn whiskey seized at Selma.

— Salisbury *World*: Tom Shedrick, the negro man who was sent up from this county for seven years for highway robbery and who afterwards escaped from the State's phosphate mines, near Wilmington, was captured Thursday afternoon near the Yadkin river. —— Will Deaton, of Concord, committed suicide Friday morning at 6 o'clock by blowing out his brains with a 38-caliber pistol ball.

— Lexington *Dispatch*: A little six year-old daughter of Mr. George Fritts, who lives about three miles from town, was bitten by a supposed mad dog yesterday morning. After biting the child the dog seized a hog and didn't relax its hold until shot and killed by Mr. Fritts The little girl was brought to Lexington and a madstone applied to the bite The stone adhered to the wound and the child is doing very well.

— Lincoln *Journal*: Lillie Black a young white woman, passed here Saturday in charge of an officer on her way to jail at Spartanburg. She had been arrested at Henrietta that day charged with infanticide. It seems that some weeks ago a dead infant, tied in a tow sack, was found on a sand bar in Broad river, below Clifton Mills The investigation followed, and the evidence pointed conclusively to the young Black woman as the mother of the child, and the slayer also. The young woman had been an operative in the mills at Clifton, but shortly before finding of the body of the child she had gone to Henrietta, and was at work there when arrested. There seems to be no doubt of her guilt.

TWINKLINGS.

— Mr Cashbocks—"My money is a lot of trouble to me."

"Miss Wayting—"They say every man ought to have some woman to share his troubles."—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

— "Writem has gotten out a new book. This time it is a purpose novel."

"Is that so? What's the purpose?"

"To make money for Writem."—*Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.*

— Horace—"She recognized you."

Clarence (joyfully)—"Are—are—you sure?"

Horace—"Yes; I heard her say: 'The idiot.'"—*La Monde Comique.*

— "He is one of the leading lawyers of the town."

"Gets pretty big fees, eh?"

"I should say so. Why, it is almost as cheap to buy the grand jury as to hire him."—*Truth.*

— "Are you one of the miners?" asked the woman at the door.

"Yes, mum. I'm what dey call a pioneer. I struck thirty years ago, and I've never given in yet."—*Household Words.*

— Where's your husband? I never see him now."

"Oh, he's home with the rheumatism."

"Is he doing anything for it."

"Yes, limping."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Madge—"I never knew Dolly was interested in charity."

Majorie—"She isn't. She started her club in opposition to a similar society, the president of which she says is a hateful old thing."—*Judge.*

— Hicks—"Have a good time out riding this evening?"

Wicks (neophyte)—"Not so good a time as the people who were watching me."—*Boston Transcript.*

— Consistent Woman: Mrs. Gilfoyle—"Mrs. Bargain Hunter is a thoroughly consistent woman."

Mrs. Kilduff—"Is she?"

Mrs. Gilfoyle—"Yes, she is. She has marked her 5 o'clock teas down to 4.57."—*Puck.*

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— A sugar schedule cannot fool any body by simply bleaching its hair and touching up its eyebrows.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— The people of this country are to pay pretty steep price for their prosperity when it comes, judging by the bill presented by the Republican congress in the shape of the new tariff.—*Mobile Register, Dem.*

—— McKinley is the man who to do the kicking if any is to be done about the report that Mark Hanna has taken up his quarters at the white house, though it seems that Mark Hanna has McKinley bound so that he can not kick at anything.—*Louisville Dispatch, Dem.*

—— If the crime of rape continues its course white women in this country will have to go armed, and the pistol will become the badge of American civilization and women's security from criminal assault. There would be no sense or necessity for lynching a dead rapist.—*Petersburg Index-Appeal, Dem.*

—— It would be interesting to know on what grounds those five democratic congressmen who voted for the republican robber tariff in the House will explain their action to their constituents. They ought to be put through a thorough course of interrogatories.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

There's no question about it. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best blood purifier. This is proven by its wonderful cures of blood diseases. †

As You Take It.

"All little girls," said the caller, "should have some kind of light work for their leisure hours. Of course you do something in that way, Susie?"

"Nit."

"That's especially nice. So few children knit nowadays."—*Detroit Free Press.*

"French paste," out of which artificial diamonds are made, is a mixture of best glass and oxide of lead.

How great is the number of folks who have existed without having lived!

GOD'S CHOSEN LAND.

S. C. KIRK.

I owe Thy Sovereign hand divine,
Thou universal King;
My heart's best love, O God, is Thine,
And less I would not bring.
And loving Thee, I shall the more
My own dear native land adore,
For love of home is but the bud
Whose fullest bloom is love of God.

If e'en when pressed by tyrant's heel
Till heaven itself seems black,
The wand'ring exile still can feel
His home love call him back,
How pround my own heart ought to be,
America, to tell of thee,
A land in long reserve by God
For worthy men to turn its sod.

Talk not of Canaan's fertile plains
Nor speak of Ophir's mine;
What mountains hold, what soil contains,
Such wondrous wealth as thine?
And with it all is this our boast—
That from our east to western coast
Each shining light in yon blue dome
Looks down upon a freeman's home.

Not one of all the flags of earth—
Whatever else it types—
Proclaims a common right by birth
Except the Stars and Stripes
To human kind oppressed by Wrong
The night of waiting seems so long,
But whereso'er that flag is borne
It bears a hope of coming morn.

Let heart and voice unite to raise
And swell with all their powers
A song of gratitude and praise
For such a land as ours!
And let, O God, a living coal
From off thine altar touch my soul,
That every fiber of my frame
May burn with patriotic flame.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— Wherever truth is made known, God is speaking.

— Cultivate the habit of casting all your care upon Christ.

— Be a happy Christian and God will make you a useful one.

—The mercies of God, like grapes, are always found in clusters.

— We are always in great danger when we hold on to a little sin.

— Christ is not well received where His servant is improperly treated.

— Prejudices are most difficult to eradicate from the heart whose soul has never been loosened or fertilized by education. They grow there firm as weeds among stones.

— Humility is to make a right estimate of one's self. It is no humility for a man to think less of himself than he ought, though it might rather puzzle him to do that.—*Spurgeon.*

— Try to be happy in this very moment, and put not off being so to a time to come, as though that time should be of another make from this, which has already come, and is ours.—*Fuller.*

— He that would enjoy life and act with freedom must have the work of the day continually before his eyes. Not yesterday's work, lest he fall into despair; not to-morrow's, lest he become visionary; not that which ends with the day, which is worldly work.—*Clerk Maxwell.*

— Dislike of an individual should not lead us to underestimate his good qualities. It we thus injure him before the public we are guilty of slander, of theft, of bearing false witness. Let not the green glasses of prejudice discolor the good traits of those you talk about.—*North Carolina Baptist*

— Perchance you may meet with heavy and grievous afflictions. Truly it is a pity to be at the trouble of suffering afflictions and not to get good by them. We get good by them when they awaken us to do good, and I may say never till then. When God is distributing sorrow to you, the sorrows still come upon some errands. Therefore, the best way for you to find that they do not come in His anger is to consider what the errands may be.—*Cotton Mather.*

COLONIAL GRANDEUR.

Adelaide Scenes In the Early Days of Australian Prosperity.

The Rev. H. R. Hawels, in his book, "Travel and Talk," tells some amusing stories of the levees held at Government House, Adelaide, in the early days of South Australian prosperity. The governor of the period—a very early one—decreed that all who presented themselves at his court should wear court dress.

The number who aspired to the honor of presentation in those days was very small, and among them there was but one who possessed a tail coat. The difficulty was not insurmountable, nevertheless.

The lucky owner of the coat went in, made his bow and came out and then hung the coveted possession on a tree for the next comer to array himself in. This process was naturally slow, and the governor grew impatient and inquired the reason of the delay.

It is said that the ludicrousness of the situation struck him at once. He burst out laughing and suspended the oppressive regulation until such time as the colony should be sufficiently advanced to live more generally up to tail coats.

It must have been a little later on that another amusing scene was witnessed at a presentation, for a colonist's lady had then arrived at the dignity of a real Irish car, purchased in Dublin. It was the only one in the colony, and the lady was proportionately proud of it. She drove in grand style to government house, the cynosure of all eyes. But her joy was damped, when, after her own presentation, she happened to look out of the window in time to see another party arrive in an exactly similar Irish car. Her pre-eminence was gone and her mortification was extreme.

But what was her anger and disgust at seeing a third, and a fourth, and even a fifth car arrive, all at due intervals. She made her way down in a terrible state of disappointment—just in time to see her own car, with her own driver, arrive with a sixth bevy.

So far from not having created a sensation, the car had been too popular, and her man had not been proof against the money offered him to allow other people to ride in it.

How May Spelling Be Reformed?

Mr. Benjamin E. Smith, in "The Future of Spelling Reform" (The Forum), thus explains what is one of the main difficulties:

For the average man—that is to say, 99 out of every 100—the existing spelling is a personal possession. He has bought it with a price, and a high one. It has become instinctive, except for an occasional reference to the dictionary. It is a tool which well serves all his ends, because he has adapted himself by long habit to its imperfections. What argument has the reformer capable of arousing him to the annoying and time consuming if not painful effort to walk in the paths of phonetic rectitude? Will the arguments of the philologists avail? Will he be stirred by the appeal to help make the language a simpler and better tool for coming generations? Will he be moved to action by the fact that the public is annually losing some millions of dollars by the present system? Will he be profoundly agitated even by the loss of learning time by his children and the woes of the foreign learner of the language? The younger generation can have practically nothing to do with the matter, and the reform must be accomplished, if at all, by the co-operation of grown up people like him.

He Anticipates.

Mrs. Wallace—I do believe that a woman could wear her dresses almost to rags before her husband would notice it.

Mrs. Ferry—That is not the case with Mr. Furry. He notices the dinginess of my clothes before I do. I can tell when I'm getting shabby by his beginning to talk about how scarce money is and how necessary it will be for us to economize.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

EIDER DOWN IS COSTLY.

But 1,000 Pounds a Year Used, and the Cheapest Costs $10 a Pound.

"There are only about 1,000 pounds of eider down used in this country in a year," said a veteran down importer of this city when asked about the quality of eider down used in quilts sold for $5 or $6. "There are three grades, and the range in price is $10, $12 and $15 a pound.

"The down is imported chiefly from Greenland and Iceland, where it is gathered by the natives. When the ducks build their nests, they line them with down plucked from their own breasts. This first lining is the finest quality of down. After a nest is robbed the ducks line it the second and third times, each time the grade of down becoming poorer, as there are a greater number of small feathers mixed in. After the third robbing the ducks quit the nest and do not build again until the next season.

"Eider down is about twice as bulky as the finest goose down—that is, one pound of eider down will serve as a filling where two of the best goose down would be necessary. Owing to its scarcity and costliness it is used only in filling the most expensive cushions and quilts. It can be used to a greater advantage and is really the only satisfactory filling for elegant smoking jackets, muff beds, women's skirts and babies' clothing.

"The next quality of down is goose down, which is produced in the United States, the larger part coming from the western and southern states. There are three grades of it—$3, $2 and $1.50 a pound. The first grade is the pure down, plucked from the breast of the live goose. The other two grades are extracted by machinery from the feathers of poultry plucked for the market. The feathers are sold in bulk, unsorted, and have to be separated by special machines. The only goose down imported comes from China. It is white, but not so fluffy as the American, and consequently used only for cheaper filling.

"Duck down is imported almost exclusively from China in feathers. There are about three grades. The best or pure down sells for $1.25 and is used in making a fair quality of quilts, linings, pillows, etc. The other two grades, bringing $1 and 75 cents a pound, are made by leaving a certain per cent of feathers in the down. These feathers, as imported from China, are exceedingly dirty, and the cleaning and separating, which are done by machinery, are very expensive. The yield of down is about 10 or 12 per cent; of dirt, 30 to 40 per cent; the rest is feathers. These feathers are a little better, when thoroughly steamed and cleaned, than our native chicken feathers, which, as all housekeepers should know, are the cheapest feathers.

"This Chinese down is from the ducks which the Chinese consume in great quantities. As rice is their chief breadstuff, ducks are their chief meat. One duck will furnish a meal for 20 Chinamen. The fowl is boiled until the flesh drops from the bones. It is then hashed very fine, and with its gravy used to season boiled rice enough for about 20 men. Of course a number of these ducks are reared and consumed in China, and as the Chinaman makes no particular use of the feathers these are shipped to this country and Europe. There are about 1,000,000 pounds of feathers imported to the United States each year from China, while from Austria and Germany come several hundred thousand pounds of down, extracted from Chinese feathers.

"Chicken feathers, which have no life in them, are chiefly used in cheapening down, and cheaper grades are made by mixing in cattails, light cotton or rabbit hair. These last three may always be detected by beating the article, as the cattails and rabbit hair will invariably sift through and the cotton will lump. Good down may always be judged by its feeling and its power to rebound. A cushion well filled with eider or the next best thing, American goose down, when pressed will reshape itself almost as quickly as an india rubber ball."—New York Sun.

A Queer Priesthood.

The most extraordinary costume worn in religious ceremony is that of the priests of a hill tribe near Darjeeling, in India.

A photograph of a group of these peculiar priests has just been brought back from India. All of them wear masks of enormous size, painted in the most hideous manner, possibly by the priestly artists. The colors are chiefly bright red and yellow. The faces have strangely shaped noses, eyes and ears, and many other things are done to make them as striking as possible.

When all these priests are engaged in one of the elaborate ceremonies of their religion, the scene surpasses anything on the comic opera stage. The fierce hill men of Darjeeling are very much impressed by the the sight of the representatives of their gods decked out in this fashion.

One mask indicates that its wearer represents the god who looks after the spears of the tribesmen and helps to drive them home. Another deity cares for the bows and arrows, etc. The warrior who hopes to do good work with any of these weapons must liberally propitiate the priests.

The hill men have a particularly great ceremony once a year, when, led by their priests, they go out on to the plain and indulge in warlike exercises, bidding defiance to all creation. The city of Darjeeling, being in the hills, is used to a considerable extent as a health station by British residents in India. The surrounding country, also called Darjeeling, is inhabited by a fierce race, who are only kept in order by judicious treatment. Many of them have enlisted in the Anglo-Indian army.—San Francisco Examiner.

Stands at the Head.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz, writes: 'Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Cough and Colds I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and to-day stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

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The Nile and the Mississippi.

Why is it that, since days before even tradition begins, the annual inundation by the Nile of the territory along its banks has been regarded as a national blessing, while similar rises of the Mississippi every year inflict almost incalculable damage to a country whose residents regard the ancient Egyptians, and the modern ones, too, for that matter, as little better than barbarians? The only possible answer is that in the one case intelligent advantage has been and is taken of nature's irresistible workings, while in the other an attempt whose hopelessness was demonstrated long ago is made to interfere with them. The conditions of life and agriculture along the two rivers are by no means so dissimilar as to warrant the adoption of exactly contrary methods. The waters of the Mississippi bring down in solution every spring an amount of potential wealth almost beyond human powers of estimation, and, instead of accepting the gift, we do our utmost to bury it all under the waters of the Gulf of Mexico. We have millions to spend for levees that stand only when they are not needed, and more millions with which to buy artificial fertilizers for exhausted acres, but seem to lack the adaptability to circumstances that enables naked fellahs to exult over a phenomenon for which learned and scientific occidentals feel horror and fear.—New York Times.

Wild African Dogs of Prey.

Two of the wild African hunting dogs were shot on the top of Zomba mountain recently. These beasts, as is well known, hunt in packs. At the moment they were first seen the pack was in full pursuit after a bush buck. The buck took refuge in some thick cover, and the dogs afterward came out, showing little fear of human beings.

At a distance they appeared to have a dark colored body, the tail itself showing very bushy and white. When close, however, it was seen that the color was a mixture of black, yellow and white, with fluffy hair. The ears are somewhat like those of a hyena, and the head also, when looked at sideways, is somewhat like that of a hyena. Looking at it, however, from the front, it appears to be the head of an ordinary good sized dog.—British Central Africa Gazette.

Second Sight.

Dobson—Do you believe in second sight?

Hobson—No, but my wife does. When I go shopping with her, she always says to the salesman, "I'll come in and look at these again."—Pearson's Weekly.

Wholesale Prices Current.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	@	6¼
Standard	@	7
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ ℔	13 @	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6 @	7
Shoulders ℔ ℔	5 @	5¼
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	5 @	5¼
Shoulders ℔ ℔	4½@	5¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 00 @	1 10
New New York, each	1 35 @	1 40
New City, each	1 20 @	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	22 @	23
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 00 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	10 @	16
Northern	15 @	25
CORN MEAL—		
Per Bushel, in sacks	43 @	45
Virginia Meal	43 @	45
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	@	75
CANDLES—℔ ℔		
Sperm	15 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	10
CHEESE ℔ ℔		
Northern Factory	11 @	12½
Dairy, Cream	12 @	13
State	@	16
COFFEE—℔ ℔		
Laguyra	20 @	
Rio	8½@	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch	15 @	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	@	10
FISH—		
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	18 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	9 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00 @	3 50
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75 @	6 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ bbl	3 00 @	3 50
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @	10
" Extra	5 @	6 00
FLOUR—℔ barrel		
Low grade	3 00 @	3 25
Choice	3 50 @	4 00
Straight	@	4 25
Patent	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel		
Corn, from store, bags—White	43 @	45
Car lots—White	41 @	43
Oats, from store	@	35
Oats, Rust Proof	@	30
Cow Peas	60 @	65
HIDES, ℔ ℔		
Green	@	6
Dry	@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 lbs—		
Clover Hay	60 @	65
Rice Straw	@	50
Eastern	@	1 00
Western	90 @	95
North River	@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1½@	3
LARD, ℔ ℔		
Northern	5 @	5½
North Carolina	5 @	6
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 20
LUMBER Rafy sawed, W M—		
Shin Hoop Cypress	18 00 @	2000
Rough-edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	16 00
Dressed Flooring	18 00 @	28 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, " hhds	@	28
" " in bbls	@	32
Porto Rico, in hhds	@	28
" in bbls	@	34
Sugar-House, in hhds	19 @	14
" in bbls	14 @	15
Syrup, in bbls	15 @	35
NAILS, ℔ Cut 20d basis	1 80 @	1 90
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	9 00 @	9 00
Rump	@	8 75
Prime	@	7 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10 @	11
SALT, ℔ sack Alum	@	75
Liverpool	@	80
Ashton	@	80
American	75 @	80
On 100 ℔ Sacks	35 @	40
SHINGLES, 5-Inch, ℔ M	2 00 @	3 00
Common	1 00 @	1 50
Cypress	3 00 @	4 00
SUGAR, ℔ ℔— Standard Gran'd		5¾
Standard A		5¼
White Ex. C		4 11-16
Extra C, Golden		4¾
C, Yellow		4¼
SOAP, Northern	@	6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O.	5 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, W M Sawed—Shipping	@	10 00
Mill, Fair	@	7 00
Mill, Fine	6 00 @	8 00
Common Mill	4 00 @	5 00
Inferior to Ordinary	@	3 00
SHINGLES, No. 1, Cypress, sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @	8 00
6x24 Sap	5 00 @	6 00
6x24 Heart	4 00 @	5 00
6x18 Sap	4 00 @	4 50
6x18 Heart	3 00 @	3 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	@	4
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon	1 25 @	1 25
WOOL, ℔ ℔—Unwashed	@	18

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, July 24.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market dull at 24½ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 24 cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 20 per bbl for Strained and $1 25 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market firm at $1.15 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet; $1.80 per barrel for Hard, $1.80 for Yellow Dip and 1 90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm, 31½ and 30½c bid; rosin firm, $1 82½, 1 87½; tar quiet, $1 10; crude turpentine steady, $1 20, 1 60, 1 70.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	356
Rosin	797
Tar	51
Crude Turpentine	89

Receipts same day last year—883 casks spirits turpentine, 1,126 bbls rosin, 108 bbls tar, 73 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5⅝	cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	7	" "
Low Middling	7⅝	" "
Middling	8	" "
Good Middling	8 5-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7c.

Receipts—1 bale; same day last year, 0.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 60@65c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 70c; Fancy, 80c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45@50c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 42½@45 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 9 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch, $3.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $5.00 to 8.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, July 24—Evening.—Money on call was quoted steady at 1 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange was steady; actual business in bankers' bills 487¼ for demand and 486¼ for sixty days. Posted rates 487@487½ and 488@488½. Commercial bills 485½. Silver certificates—not quoted. Government bonds irregular; twos, registered, 97½; fours, registered, 111½; fours, coupon, 113¼; new fours, registered, 134; new fours, coupon, 135¼; fives, registered, 113½; fives, coupon, 114¾; State bonds dull; North Carolina sixes 135; North Carolina fours 102. Railroad bonds strong.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, July 24.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 60@1 65. Spirits turpentine firmer at 27@27½c.

SAVANNAH, July 24.—Spirits turpentine firm at 25c; sales 710 casks; receipts 1,251 casks. Rosin firm; sales of 4 673 barrels; receipts 3,036 barrels; last quotations: A, B, C, D $1 20@1 25, E $1 25@1 30, F $1 30@1 35, G $1 35@1 40, H $1 50@1 55, I $1 55, K 1 60, M $1 65, N $1 85, W G $2 05, W W $2 40.

CHARLESTON, July 24.—Spirits turpentine firm at 23½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; A, B, C, D $1 15, E $1 20, F $1 30, G $1 35 H $1 45, I, K $1 55, M $1 65, N $1 75, W G $1 90; W W $2 00.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, July 24—The cotton market developed a good deal of irregularity to-day, chiefly resulting from the course of August contracts which opened at a decline of five points and made a rally of ten points, while the rest of the list, following the opening call, worked within a range of six points. After selling from 7.43 to 7.54 August sold off to 7 47, but not without a zig-zag action which led to a more or less current belief that manipulation, more than any other influence, might be at work. It was claimed that the rise was caused by a demand from consumers. The market closed quiet and steady, with prices finally two points lower to two points higher. Sales 43,400 bales.

NEW YORK, July 24—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling 7 15 16c.

Cotton futures market closed steady; sales 43 400 bales; Jan'y 7 08, Feb'y 7 11, March 7 14, April 7 17, May —, July 7 50, August 7 47, September 7 27, October 7 07, November 7 02, December 7 04.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 7 15-16c; middling gulf 8 3-16c; sales of — bales.

Cotton—net receipts — bales; gross 609 bales; exports to Great Britain — bales; to France — bales; to the Continent — bales; forwarded 60 bales; sales — bales; sales to spinners 358 bales; stock (actual) 61,463 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 890 bales; exports to Great Britain — bales; to France — bales; to the Continent 1,648 bales; a ock 108 841 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 6,606,874 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,998,537 bales; exports to France 699 155 bales; exports to the Continent 2,135 247 bales; to the Channel 5,481 bales.

July 24.—Galveston, quiet at 7⅝, net receipts 35 bales; Norfolk, firm at 8¼, net receipts 58 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 7 15-16, net receipts 133 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8, net receipts 13 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 8 5-16 net receipts 17 bales; Savannah, firm at 7⅝, net receipts 1 bale; New Orleans, firm at 7¾, net receipts 95 bales; Mobile, steady at 7⅞, net receipts 7 bales; Memphis, steady at 7 13-16, net receipts 7 bales; Augusta, firm at 8, net receipts — bales; Charleston, firm at 7¾, net receipts

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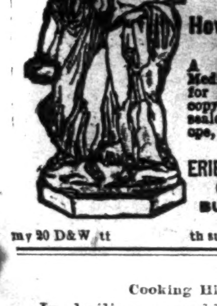
Simmons—I wonder if the motor car will be perfected in our time?

Timmins—I don't know, but I hope so, and that soon. I've got off about all the bicycle jokes I can.—Indianapolis Journal.



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In boiling a pudding, a slice of fish or anything else which is not put into a mold, but where a cloth or bag is used, a plate should always be placed in the bottom of the kettle. When a pail is chosen to play the part of a mold, it should not rest directly upon the bottom of the kettle. A heavy iron ring, such as is sometimes taken for a flatiron stand, may be first slipped in the boiler, and the pail put upon that. This is the best substitute for the mold constructed with a tube in the center for the all around distribution of the boiling water.—New York Post.

Too Easy.

Mrs. McSwat (at the musicale)—Don't you think it was too bad that the accompanist drowned Miss Squealer's voice so during her solo, professor?

Professor Meyerhoffer (emphatically)—Himmel, no! I dink me do' drowning vos too easy a death for such a voice as dot.—Brooklyn Life.

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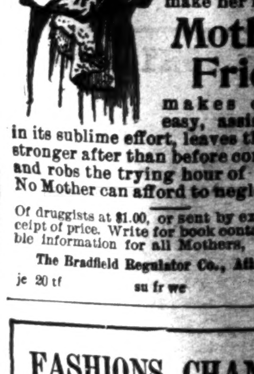

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"I love almost all flowers that blow,"
Said dainty Kitty airily.
"But pansies, when your vase you fill,
They'll make you think 'tis winter chill
And fairly shiver just to see
How close and tight as they can be,
They creep and creep and huddle so!"

"The very prettiest flowers that blow,"
Said Sally, "are the pansies dear.
Their little faces blink and wink,
They really seem almost to think,
And when in dish or vase they dwell
Their thoughts they must each other tell,
They cheek to cheek will cuddle so!"
—Bookman.

A REPORTER'S YARN.

"I struck Mills to get off tonight, but it wouldn't go. I told him it was little Milly's birthday, and the youngsters had set their hearts on having me spend the evening with them. I couldn't touch him even with that. Said he was short handed and couldn't spare me. Confound these city editors! The good nature is all blue penciled out of them."

"You're always grumbling, Jim. If you don't like the little inconveniences of newspaper work, why don't you get into something else? It was your own desire to get on the police beat, and you ought to take all that goes with it good naturedly. Quit your growling and tell us a story by way of penance. We have a couple of hours before us yet."

Jim loved to tell a story. He had been a reporter for many years, most of the time on criminal, and he had an experience for nearly every day in the year. His face cleared, he refilled his pipe and stuck his feet on the table. His three fellow morning paper men followed his example and amid the curls of smoke this is the story Jim told them:

"One morning about 15 years ago Richard Johnston of the firm of Johnston & Calvin, a very wealthy eastern lumber concern, was found dead in his office. He had told his wife the night before he wanted to look over the books, for things were not going quite to his satisfaction. The big ledger lay spread out on the desk, his face buried in its blood stained leaves. The head had been almost split in two, and the cut was so clean it was evident an ax had been the instrument used. The detectives went to work at once, and within 24 hours Fred Wilson had been arrested on suspicion. He was a cousin of the murdered man and had been out of work a long time. He had never been in any kind of trouble with the police, but he had a character for shiftlessness, and it was no secret that he and Johnston had had some words a few days before over a loan he had begged. He had been heard to say that a man who had heaps of money and would not help his relatives might better be dead. A glove was found in the office that was identified as his, and, to make the chain of circumstantial evidence complete he had paid a number of bills the very morning the murder was committed.

"His lawyers admitted their client had gone to the office, but denied any quarrel had taken place. The very reverse had happened, they claimed. Johnston had arranged the visit and had expressed his regrets for being so severe to his cousin, finally giving him money enough to clean up his debts and make a fresh start. This defense, in the opinion of the judge, the jury and the newspapers, was so daring that it was regarded as overshooting the mark. One juryman, however, was a little doubtful and stood out for manslaughter in the first degree. The others yielded, the verdict was so rendered, and Wilson was sentenced for life. When asked if he had anything to say, he replied that he had told his story through his lawyers; that he still adhered to it, and that, if there was a just God above, its truthfulness would be proved some day. He went to prison and was forgotten.

"I tell you, boys, that case bothered me more than a little bit. I never at any time believed Wilson was guilty, strong as the evidence was. I had several talks with him, and he never wavered in his story, no matter how I tried to trip him up. I spent most of my leisure time following imaginary clews. It was no use, and I gave it up after a few months.

"Five years afterward Calvin, Johnston's partner, died suddenly, and, though obituaries were rather out of my line, for I was still doing criminal, I asked for the assignment on account of my previous interest in the firm. I had a hazy idea that Calvin had known more of the affair than he had pretended. On those lines I followed up my old hunt, and I was not a bit surprised to find out from one of the servant girls that a small bottle had been found in the hand of the dead man. I ran down that side of the story at the start and showed the doctor up in great shape, for he had given a certificate for heart failure, having been induced to do so by Calvin's friends. Then I wanted a picture, but the deuce a picture was to be had. Finally an old friend of Calvin's told me there was a large crayon of the lumberman in the lodgeroom where they met. Calvin had been one of the past presidents, and on retiring, shortly after the death of his partner, had presented the lodge with this picture, following a custom in vogue in that particular body. The man who told me of it was one of the trustees, and he offered to go to the room with me and let me have the portrait. I did not want, of course, to bother with the frame, so I proceeded to take out the back. While I was doing so the trustee looked for some wrapping paper, and I was alone. Talk about luck! Luck wasn't in it. I am not religious, as you know, but I have had a queer feeling about that affair ever since. I found a folded parchmentlike paper between the picture and the back, and you can bet I hustled it into my pocket darned quick.

"Just imagine, boys, how my heart beat until I got to my room. I wasn't married then. I locked the door and got out my precious paper. It was a combination will and confession, and the introduction was the strangest part of it. Calvin gave his reason for hiding it in the picture, and it was this: That while he had not the courage to expose his villainy, he was willing to leave it to Providence. If there was such a thing, he said, the matter would all come out even in the face of apparent impossibilities. Then followed the confession. He had been playing a crooked game with Johnston for years, but at last the senior partner had become suspicious and had started an investigation of the books himself. Ruin and disgrace confronted Calvin, and in a paroxysm of fear he had taken one of the keen fire axes, and, creeping behind the unfortunate man, split his head open with a blow. He lived next door and had no difficulty in getting to his house unnoticed, cleaning the ax and restoring it to its place on the wall on the way back. He never expected such luck as Wilson falling into a circumstantial evidence trap, and he let him go to prison without a qualm. But his conscience or spirit, whatever you like to call it, couldn't stand the strain, and he fell back on morphine, both to quiet his nerves and furnish an excuse for the suicide he contemplated. He had tried in a small way to atone to Wilson's family by sending them, anonymously, money every month sufficient to keep them fairly comfortable. In the third clause of the document he bequeathed a handsome amount to the woman whom he had made worse than a widow. He left $10,000 to the wretched man he had allowed to go to a cell when he could have saved him with a word. Everything was straight as a die. There was not an ambiguous word in the document, and the signature was properly witnessed by the cashier and one of the clerks.

"I got back to the office without any more delay and wrote my story after I had given the city editor an outline of what I had. He just jumped out of his chair with delight and did a double shuffle in the excess of his exuberance. The boys thought he had suddenly gone mad, but he gave them no satisfaction, and I, too, kept my discovery to myself. He asked me what I was going to do with the confession. I told him my idea was to see the governor myself and secure poor Wilson's release. He said a fellow that brought in a story like that could do any darned thing he pleased.

"The governor happened to be in the city that day. When I told him my story, he started an investigation at once. He sent for the superintendent of police and the judge who had tried the case, an old friend of his. The man who had let me into the lodgeroom was also summoned to corroborate my statement, and letters written by Calvin were secured so the writing in the confession could be identified. Fortunately everything ran smoothly, and before 9 o'clock, with the concurrence of the judge, the governor decided on releasing the prisoner, giving as a double reason for his prompt action that the best way to redress the unavoidable wrong done Wilson was to give him his liberty without a moment's unnecessary delay.

"Then he sent for Mrs. Wilson and her two little girls. She came all in a tremble, as women say, for the officer had given her an inkling of what was going on. And the release—say, boys"—

Jim's voice broke. The boys refilled their pipes hastily and in the cloud of smoke that followed the next moment the tears that filled the eyes of the reporter who was supposed to be hardened to human misery were hidden in the wreaths that mounted to the blackened ceiling.

"It was a great scoop," one of the fellows said, "the greatest of the year."
—George Brown in Detroit News-Tribune.

NIGHT DISPATCHER.

"It's about 11 years now since I handled trains by wire, and I would not go back to it for $100 a day. You have really no idea of how it wears on a man. Some stand it better than others, but it wrecks every one's nerves sooner or later.

"When I was appointed night dispatcher on this road, I thought I was the biggest man in Missouri. I took to smoking 15 cent cigars and wearing $8 hats. I had a well developed case of swelled head and showed it all over me. A few months' experience with faithless operators, tricky trainmen and arrogant superiors, however, took the conceit out of me, and I began to realize just how big a job it was to handle a heavy train wire and give satisfaction. The fact is the man who can please all hands has yet to be born. There are times when some train must be delayed, and it's often a case of Hobson's choice. The trainmen who wait curse the dispatcher into the middle of purgatory and back again, and those who get advantage brag about the run they made.

"One night the road was fairly hot with trains when I came on duty. I wondered how in thunder I should ever get the passenger train through without delay. There seemed to be a train on every side track over the whole length of the road and more between stations. I worked like a beaver. It was in the old days of what are known as 'single' orders, when each train received a separate order, which must be sent to each one concerned singly. You will easily see how, in the rush of business, a single order might be incorrectly transmitted and trains leave stations under conflicting orders, which would certainly bring them together unless corrected. Nowadays the most progressive roads all use orders so worded that two trains or more receive them at the same time, and thus the risk of error is lessened. That system was hardly known in my time, and we worked on the perilous single order plan.

"A double header left the foot of the mountain about midnight, holding an order giving it the right to Summit. About 35 minutes ahead of it was a fast freight. The latter had an engine numbered 427, and the double train had engines 349 and 327. You must remember I was working every minute trying to keep the freights out of the way of the night passenger trains.

"Along toward morning a train was ready to go down the mountain, and I gave it an order to 'run wild' and wait for engine 427 at Summit. In some way or other the double train following slipped my memory completely. I have thought since I must have got mixed on the two numbers, 427 and 327. At any rate, when the operator at Summit reported the two trains leaving, it came over me with the suddenness and pain of a galvanic shock that I had given what we call a 'lap' order.

"The horrible feeling that seized me often makes me shudder when I think of it now. My hand fell from the key, limp and nerveless. Something seemed to cast a blur before my eyes, so I could not read the orders before me. The blood rushed to my head, and my temples beat like trip hammers. But only for a second. Like a flash I seized the key and asked the operator to stop the down train. It was too late; it had gone. Then I tried to reach the double train, but it, too, had passed the last telegraph office, and I knew that no earthly power could prevent those trains from striking, and striking hard, for the grade is nearly 90 feet to the mile up there.

"I sent for the chief dispatcher immediately and told him the situation. He was an old hand at the business, and an affair of this kind fretted his nerves almost to the point of insanity. He added nearly 100 per cent to my agony of mind. He would sit down and look the train sheet over and seem to devour the fatal orders with his eyes, then jump up with a gesture of despair and say, 'By gosh, that's too bad!' Then he would pace up and down the floor, repeating to himself, 'That's too bad, too bad; they'll strike as sure as the world!' returning always to pore over the train sheet and order book. I could have screamed with the awful strain of nervous suspense. I confidently believe that nothing but lack of courage and the curious fascination kept me from rushing out and jumping off the bridge into the river, 75 feet below.

"I felt absolutely certain that some of those men would be killed. Had both trains been single, the drivers might possibly see each other's headlights in time to jump, but I was sure the men on the second engine of the double header would go into the wreck all over and die as sure as fate. It has become fashionable nowadays to disbelieve in a physical hereafter. I don't know anything about that, but I do know that, if mental torture be the lot of those who sin in this life, after our accounts are audited I should prefer to take my chances with the old fashioned style of punishment.

"Suddenly both relays opened with a snap. The chief looked at me with a perfectly indescribable expression and went to the switchboard without a word. We both knew without telling what it meant. The trains had struck, and the piled up wreckage had broken the wires down. We tested for the break and soon located it half way up the mountain. I gave up the last particle of hope at this and only waited in a kind of dull wonder to learn the extent of the casualty.

"The 35 or 40 minutes that elapsed after the wire failed until we got the official report of the accident seem to me now as misty as a dream. I worked away at the wire mechanically, guided only by the force of habit, using the circuits as they were made up by the chief. He kept fussing at the switchboard in a perfect misery of nervousness.

"At length the Summit operator called, and my heart beat almost audibly as I answered him, for I knew from his tremulous sending that he had received the report. I think he must have understood my feelings, for the first words he telegraphed almost crazed me with gratitude. Before sending a line of the formal report he told me, 'There's nobody hurt!' I gave up right then and there and said, 'Mr. H., you'll have to take the rest of this report; I can't,' and got up and went home.

"It seems the engineer saw the headlights and jumped, and the men on the first engine of the double header, after sounding a sharp whistle for brakes, shrieked to the following crew to jump and kept on shrieking after they struck the ground and until the engine passed them. The warning was heard in time, and all hands got off with nothing worse than a few bruises, but that finished my train dispatching."—Exchange.

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Leave Wadesboro	8 11 p m	8 54pm
Leave Marshville	8 45 p m	6 25am
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Leave Monroe	9 25 p m	7 00am
Arrive Charlotte	10 25 p m	7 50am
Arrive Mt. Holly	....	9 20am
Arrive Lincolnton	....	10 20am
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Leave Lincolnton	....	6 50pm
Leave Mt. Holly	....	7 50pm
Leave Charlotte	*5 10 am	8 25pm
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Leave Maxton	9 05 am	....
Leave Lumberton	9 51 am	....
Arrive Wilmington	12 05 pm	....

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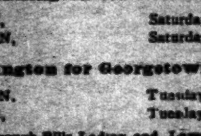

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DAILY 12.15 p m No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.25 a m, Sanford 3.19 p m, Jacksonville 7.00 p m, Savannah 12.45 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 5.50 a m, Atlanta 8.20 a m, Macon 9.30 a m, Augusta 3.05 p m, Denmark 4.55 p m, Sumter 6.45 a m, Florence 8.55 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadbourn 10.35 a m, Lake Waccamaw 11.06 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 4.10 p m, Halifax 4.28 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.20 p m, Greenville 6.57 p m, Kinston 7.55 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 a m, Greenville 8.52 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11.18 a m, Weldon 11.33 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 a m and 1.00 p m, arrive Parmele 9.10 a m and 2.40 p m; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 a m and 6.30 p m, arrives Washington 11.00 a m and 7.30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 p m, Sunday, 4.05 p m, arrives Plymouth 7.40 p m and 6 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 a m, and Sunday 9 a m. Arrive Tarboro 10.05 a m and 11 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9.00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10.25 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8.35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9.05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 8.10 a m and 4.10 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m and 11.20 a m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9.10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9.42 a m, Rowland 10.00 a m, returning leaves Rowland 6.10 p m, arrives Dillon 6.30 p m, Latta 6.44 p m, Pee Dee 7.05 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.00 p m, leave Conway 2.45 p m, Chadbourn 5.40 p m, arrive Hub 6.20 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6.42 p m, Manning 7.10 p m, arrive Lane's 7.48 p m, leave Lanes 8.36 a m, Manning 9.05 a m, arrive Sumter 9.35 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.55 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m., 9.14 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.25 a m, 5.25 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday 8.55 a m, arrive Darlington 9.28 a m, Cheraw 10.40 a m, Wadesboro 2.25 p m, leave Florence daily except Sunday 8.10 p m, arrive Darlington 8.40 p m, Hartsville 9.35 p m, Bennettsville 9.36 p m, Gibson 10 p m. Leave Florence Sunday only 9 a m, arrive Darlington 9.27 a m, Hartsville 10.10 a m.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday 6.15 a m, Bennettsville 6.41 a m, arrive Darlington 7.40 a m. Leave Hartsville daily except Sunday 6.30 a m, arrive Darlington 7.15 a m, leave Darlington 7.45 a m, arrive Florence 8.15 a m. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3 p m, Cheraw 5.15 p m, Darlington 6.29 p m, arrive Florence 7.00 p m. Leave Hartsville Sunday only 7 a m, Darlington 7.45 a m, arrive Florence 8.10 a m.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.10 p m, arrive Selma 3.00 p m, Smithfield 3.08 p m, Dunn 3.50 p m, Fayetteville 4.40 p m, 1.14 a m, Rowland 6.10 p m, returning leave Rowland 10.00 a m, Fayetteville 11.30 a m, 10.20 pm, Dunn 12.07 p m, Smithfield 12.48 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.48 p m, 12.10 a m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Sumter 4.40 a m, Creston 5.32 a m, arrive Denmark 6.30 a m. Returning leave Denmark 4.55 p m, Creston 5.47 p m, Sumter 6.40 p m. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9.15 a m, Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m, arrives Creston 3.50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 11.10 a m and 7.45 p m, arrive Lucknow 1 p m and 8.45 p m. Returning leave Lucknow 6.05 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliott 8.25 a m and 3.20 p m.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON, Gen'l Passenger Agent.
J. R. KENLY, Gen'l Manager.
T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager. my 18 tf

W., N. & N. Railway

In Effect Sunday, May 17, 1896

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

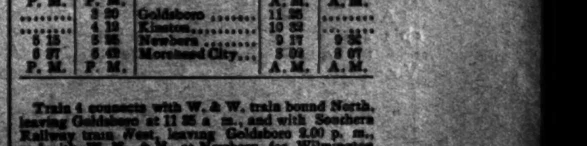
NORTH BOUND *6	NORTH BOUND †8	STATIONS.	SOUTH BOUND †7	SOUTH BOUND 25
A M	P M	—WILMINGTON—	P M	P M
	2 00	Lv...Walnut street...Ar	12 40	
7 00	3 10	Lv...Surry street ....Ar	12 30	3 25
9 00		Ar...Jacksonville Lv		12 05
11 00	3 58	Lv " ......Ar	10 48	10 25
11 58	4 30	Lv...Maysville..........Lv	10 00	9 15
12 30	4 44	Lv...Pollocksville......Lv	9 53	8 50
1 30	5 30	Ar...Newbern Lv	9 20	8 00
	P M		A M	

Nos. 5 and 6 mixed trains.
Nos. 7 and 8 passenger trains.
Trains 8 and 7 p m make connection with trains on A. & N. C. R. R. for Morehead City and Beaufort.
Connection with Steamer Neuse at Newbern to and from Elizabeth City and Norfolk Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
Steamer Geo. D. Purdy makes daily trips between Jacksonville and New River points.
*Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
‡Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
†Daily except Sunday.

H. A. WHITING, General Manager.
J. W. MARTENIS, Traffic Manager. my 28 tf

Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad

Time Table.



In Effect Wednesday, May 27th, 1896.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

2 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	4 Passenger Daily Ex Sunday. Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 20	Goldsboro	11 25	....
....	4 19	Kinston	10 22	....
5 15	5 25	Newbern	9 17	9 32
6 57	6 43	Morehead City....	8 00	8 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11 25 a m., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 p. m., and with W. N. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 p. m., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 p. m. No. 1 train also connects with W. N. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points. S. L. DILL, Sup't.

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SUNDAY MORNING, JULY 25, 1897

CURRENCY COMMISSION.

President McKinley's Message—Sent to the Congress Just Before Its Final Adjournment.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The President to-day sent the following message to Congress:

To the Congress of the United States:

In my message convening the Congress in extraordinary session I called attention to a single subject—providing revenue adequate to meet the reasonable and proper expenses of the government. I believed that to be the most pressing subject for settlement then. A bill to provide the necessary revenues for the government has already passed the House of Representatives and the Senate and awaits executive action.

Another question of very great importance is that of the establishment of our currency and banking system on a basis, which I commented upon in my inaugural address in the following words:

"Our financial system needs some revision; our money is all good now, but its value must not further be threatened. It should all be put upon an enduring basis, not subject to easy attack, nor its stability to doubt or dispute. The several forms of our paper money offer, in my judgment, a constant embarrassment to the Government and imperil a safe balance in the Treasury."

Nothing was settled more clearly at the late national election than the determination upon the part of the people to keep their currency stable in value and equal to that of the most advanced nations of the world.

The soundness of our currency is nowhere questioned. No loss can occur to its holders. It is the system which should be simplified and strengthened, keeping our money just as good as it is now with less expense to the Government and the people.

The sentiment of the country is strongly in favor of early action by Congress in this direction, to revise our currency laws and remove them from partisan contention. A notable assembly of business men with delegates from twenty-nine States and Territories was held at Indianapolis in January of this year. The financial situation commanded their earnest attention, and after a two days' session the convention recommended to Congress the appointment of a monetary commission.

I commend this report to the consideration of Congress. The authors of the report recommend a commission "to make a thorough investigation of the monetary affairs and needs of this country in all relations and aspects, and to make proper suggestions as to any evils found to exist and the remedies therefor."

This subject should receive the attention of Congress at its special session. It ought not to be postponed until the regular session.

I, therefore, urgently recommend that a special committee be created, nonpartisan in its character, to be composed of well-informed citizens of different parties who will command the confidence of Congress and the country because of their special fitness for the work, whose duty it shall be to make recommendations of whatever changes in our present banking and currency laws may be necessary or expedient, and to report their conclusions on or before the first day of November next, in order that the same may be transmitted by me to Congress for its consideration at its first regular session.

It is to be hoped that the report thus made will be so comprehensive and sound as to receive the support of all parties and the favorable action of Congress. At all events such a report cannot fail to be of value to the executive branch of the Government as well as to those charged with public legislation, and to greatly assist in the establishment of an improved system of finance.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

Executive Mansion, July, 1897.

NEW TARIFF LAW.

Question as to the Day and Hour When It Will Go Into Operation.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The question of the day and hour when the new Tariff law will go into operation if signed by the President before 12 o'clock to-night has been received at the Treasury Department. Information has been received that a vessel laden with sugar has been sighted off the capes and probably will enter the harbor of Philadelphia during the afternoon. Another vessel with a cargo of wool is in Boston harbor and other vessels similarly laden are expected to arrive during the day.

The question is a new one so far as tariff bills are concerned. The matter has been considered by the Treasury officials and it is very probable that they will hold teat the new act went into effect at 12 o'clock last night. The department, however, has ten days before final liquidation, in which to determine the question, and no action is likely to be taken before the last of next week at the earliest.

BIMETALLIC CONFERENCE.

A Definite Answer Expected Soon from Great Britain to the Proposal of France and the United States.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, July 24.—A definite answer is expected from the British Government within the next few days to the proposal of the United States and France for a bimetallic conference.

The United States bimetallic commissioners are confident that the invitation will be accepted, but the movement meets with the solid opposition of British capitalists, who argue that the British financial system is satisfactory, and that the Government should not be called upon to assist other Governments that may be in distress.

FEDERATION OF LABOR.

Call for a Conference of National Trade Unions at Wheeling, July 27th.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor to-day sent telegrams to officers of thirty-eight national trade unions calling for a conference to be held at Wheeling, W. Va., at noon Tuesday, July 27th. This was done in response to a telegram from President W. D. Ratchford, of the United Mine Workers of America, in which he says that peaceable assemblage and free speech have been forbidden and suppressed in West Virginia.

The fight between George Dixon and Dal. Hawkins at San Francisco Friday night was declared a draw at the end of the twentieth round, after a remarkable fight. Hawkins seemed to have rather the best of it.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

CONGRESS ADJOURNED.

FINAL CONCLUSION OF THE EXTRAORDINARY SESSION.

Dingley Tariff Bill Now the Law of the Land—President McKinley's Message on the Currency Commission Received and Read in Both Houses.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The Tariff bill passed its last legislative stage at 8 p. m. to-day, when the Senate, by the decisive vote of 40 to 30, agreed to the conference report on the bill. This closed the great labor for which the 55th Congress assembled in extraordinary session and after stubborn resistance, at times threatening a deadlock, the Senate concurred with the House in a resolution for the final adjournment of the session at 9 o'clock to-night.

The President's message for a currency commission was received by the Senate, but the House bill creating the commission was not acted upon. Thus the closing day was prolific of a series of momentous events, each of which, alone would have been of extraordinary interest.

An analysis of the vote shows that the affirmative was cast by thirty-eight Republicans, one Democrat (McEnery), one silver Republican (Jones of Nevada) and one Populist (Stewart.)

The negative vote was cast by twenty-eight Democrats and two Populists, Harris and Turner. Senator Teller, silver Republican, and two Populists, Allen and Butler, were present and did not vote. One Populist (Kyle), one silver Republican (Pettigrew), were absent without pairs, which was equivalent to withholding their votes.

Although the result was a foregone conclusion, yet this did not abate the eager interest attaching to the close of a great contest. Early in the day the debate was listless, though enlivened at times with virulent criticism by Senator Allen, and by a speech from Senator Burrows, of the Finance Committee. Senators Caffery, Morgan and Stewart occupied the time up to 3 o'clock, when the vote was promptly taken. Then came a long parliamentary battle over final adjournment. The opposition endeavored to score a point by compelling a vote on laying the President's message before the Senate, and succeeding in this attacked the majority for refusing to act on the President's recommendation. The message was not referred to the Finance Committee, and remained on the table up to the time of adjournment. The main desire of those opposing adjournment was to secure a vote on the Harris resolution to stop the sale of the government interest in the Union Pacific railroad. For four hours an acrimonious parliamentary contest was waged. Gradually the tactics of the opposition were overcome and shortly before 7 o'clock Senator Morgan withdrew further opposition and the resolution for final adjournment was passed. Complimentary resolutions to Vice President Hobart were adopted and at 9 o'clock the final scene was enacted by the formal adjournment of the session.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The last session of the House was marked by many interesting events. In addition to the final act of the Speaker in affixing his siugature to the Dingley Tariff bill, a bill providing for the creation of a currency commission was crowded through in the closing hours and the spectators who thronged the galleries were treated to a continuous, if not very brilliant, fusilade of oratory for several hours. The House recessed until the Senate had adopted the conference report, and one minute and thirty-one seconds after the House reconvened the engrossed bill was signed and on its way to the President. The demonstrations which marked these events were enthusiastic. The galleries played a significant part in them. When the President's message came in, recommending the creation of a currency commission, it was answered by the Republican leaders with great promptitude. By means of a special order the Stone bill introduced some days ago with the approval of the administration, was brought to a vote after an hour's debate. Considerable feeling was manifested on both sides. There were some sharp exchanges and some bitterness was displayed. There was, of course, the usual attempt to made political capital out of the situation, but all realized that the bill would not pass the Senate, and to that extent the debate lacked seriousness. Still the Republican leaders felt they were doing their duty. When the vote was taken the Republicans presented an unbroken front with two exceptions, Mr. Linney, of North Carolina, and Mr. Mahoney, of New York, who voted with the opposition against the bill, which was passed by a vote of 194 to 99. As the final act of the session the Speaker announced the appointment of the committees.

STRIKING COAL MINERS

Propose to Make a Legal Test of Violations of the New Mining Law in Pennsylvania.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, July 24.—Instead of marching on the New York and Cleveland Gas Coal Company mines, as first determined by the miners, the executive board, at a special meeting this evening decided to make a legal test of the the new State mining law. It is claimed that Mr. DeArmitt's miners are being worked in violation of this law, and suits will be entered and pushed with unusual vigor. According to the new law, if an operator does not have his coal weighed before it goes over a screen, he is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of not less than $100 nor more than $500, or imprisonment not to exceed ninety days, or both, in the discretion of the court, for each offence.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., July 24.—A house to house missionary work is being done by the miners to-night and will be continued till Monday morning. Debs, Mahon and McRea, all address meetings to-morrow and they expect to have the large majority of the men in the region out Monday. If this project fails, all the organizers will leave this district and an effort will be made to stop the running of coal trains.

GALVESTON RATE WAR.

Another Cut in Rates Announced by the Mallory Line.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, July 24.—The situation in the Galveston rate war took a change for the worse to-day and the railroads are correspondingly disgusted. The Mallory line announced to-day another cut in rates which will become effective on Monday. It is announced that on and after Monday the rate on fourth-class freight from Galveston to New York will be seven cents and on all classes below the fourth the rate will be three cents. It is a cut of three cents on the fourth-class freight and two cents on all of the lower classes.

Jim Sellers, a negro murderer, was taken from the county jail at Pittboro, Calhoun county, Miss., last night, and shot to death by a mob.

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HOOD'S PILLS act easily and promptly on the liver and bowels. Cure sick headache.

LATE FOREIGN NEWS.

BRITISH PRESS CRITICISM OF THE AMERICAN TARIFF.

The Sunday Times Predicts War Between the Two Countries—Alaska Boundary a New Source of Trouble—The Ghastly Discovery of Bodies of Dead Infants in Seville.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, July 24.—A pessimistic view is taken by the *Spectator* of the conditions likely to develope under the American tariff. It says:

"Never before has the complete domination of the trusts over the Republican party been made so palpable to the average man. Congress has been ordered to protect the trusts and has obeyed. We find protection stripped of its old pretensions and excuses. It is reduced to a mere mercenary aspect. It means the enabling of wealthy corporations to levy tribute upon the masses and to use the powers of the government to enhance piles that are already enormous."

"We believe that with a just cause behind them the United States might safely defy all the machinations of hostile Europe; but in an aggressive policy, dictated by selfish pecuniary interests, it must be said plainly that the United States runs a serious risk of collision, and how fatal that might be to all the highest interests of mankind is abundantly clear. We trust that all wise and right-minded Americans will sound a warning against this bill. If the alternatives for the republic are to be on the one hand a policy of jingoism, and on the other a policy of crude confiscation, then a very serious crisis for order, freedom and rational self-government will have arrived."

LONDON, July 24.—The *Sunday Times*, in a sensation article, predicts war between Great Britain and the United States, and says another letter upon the seal fisheries question will follow, but that this will fail to elicit a protest from Lord Salisbury. A new source of trouble, according to the *Sunday Times*, is probable as a result of the recent gold discoveries upon the Yukon river and its branches. The *Sunday Times* asserts that confidential communications between Russia and the United States are being exchanged, with a view to contending that the Klondyke regions constitute a part of the territory of Alaska ceded by Russia to the American government.

A special dispatch from Madrid says additional investigations into the matter of the finding of the bodies of twenty-six infants in rough deal boxes in the tower at St. Pater's Church, at Seville, show that no crime was committed. The bodies were hidden in the tower by the church warden, Osellana, for the purpose of pleasing families, who superstitiously preferred concealment there to interment in the graveyard. The wife of the sacristan, who was placed under arrest, has been released.

TO BEAT THE TARIFF.

Vessels Steaming to United States Ports with Dutiable Cargoes on Board.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, July 24.—Of several vessels which were known to be steaming for this port laden with products dutiable under the new tariff act, and due here last night and to day, the only one to arrive was the British steamship Hurworth. The Hurworth sailed from Samarang, Java, May 22d, heavily laden with sugar. She passed in the Delaware breakwater at 6 o'clock this morning, under full steam. Four of the fastest steamtugs here were sent down the Delaware to help her. She came rapidly up the Delaware bay and river, and at about 5 o'clock she passed Marcus Hook, the beginning of the Philadelphia customs district. Whether or not the Hurworth succeeded in saving the duties on her cargo will depend, of course, upon the decision of the Treasury Department, as to the time the new Tariff bill shall be considered in force. Other vessels which were due to-day, but which failed to arrive are the British steamship Roger, from Bordeaux, with a miscellaneous cargo of French products dutiable under the new law, and the British steamship Etos, from Java, with a cargo of sugar.

NEW YORK, July 24.—The rotunda of the custom house was the scene of the wildest excitement this afternoon. News had been received that the Umbria and La Touraine were steaming up the bay and soon the custom house was filled with scores of anxious importers and brokers eagerly awaiting the arrival of the captains of the two vessels. A cab dashed up to the building, from which Captain Dutton, of the Umbria, sprang and ran hastily up stairs. He entered the rotunda at 2 41 bathed in sweat and the anxious waiters burst out in cheers. A line was at once formed of brokers and importers, all with entry papers made out, while the captain hastened to make his declaration and present his manifest. A great throng was left behind, anxiously awaiting La Touraine's commander, but at 3.55 p. m., he had not arrived. The cashier's office was kept open until 3 o'clock this afternoon, but all the other divisions and the surveyor's office remained open an hour longer. Importers with goods on the French steamer had their representatives on hand to file entries as soon as Captain Santanelli appeared with his manifest. When at 4 o'clock no Frenchman had appeared the crowd began to groan and jeer. They gave cat calls and hisses for the Dingley bill and cheers for the Wilson law. It had nearly dispersed when Captain Santanelli and a representative of the line drove up in a coach. The captain seemed a bit ruffled by the remarks of the brokers as he made his way to the French division, and was referred to Mr. Couch. In the latter's office he went and tendered his manifest, but was told that his vessel could not be entered to-day as he was several minutes behind time and the custom house was closed for the day. The captain then left the building, one of the crowd shouting to him that he had cost them several thousand dollars.

Monday's rush at the custom house will be very heavy. To-day's receipts were $351,114. The total for the week was $5,649,836.

HAVANA ADVICES.

Insurgents Attack a Small Town in Havana Province.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA (via KEY WEST), July 24.—Tapaste, a small town in the province of Havana, was recently attacked by insurgents, who were on the outskirts of the town blowing up with dynamite the church building which had served as a garrison headquarters and causing great damage. The insurgents also placed two dynamite bombs near the track of the Puerto Principe railroad. These bombs were exploded when four four soldiers crossed the line, killing two and seriously wounding the other two. It is said that at least sixty metres of the road were destroyed by the explosion.

Captain General Weyler has pardoned the prisoners of war, Jose Maria Valdespine and Claudio Mederosreyes, sentenced to death.

The Spanish mail steamer has brought to Captain General Weyler a million dollars of silver intended for war expenses.

A notice has been posted at the Naumakeag cotton mills, Salem, Mass., that the entire plant will close August 2nd for two weeks. The mills have been running on four days time for the past few months.

THE GOLD FEVER.

Klondyke Discoveries Cause a Sensation in London—Most of the English Miners Are Bound For the Canadian Diggings.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, July 24.—A dispatch to the *World* from London says:

"The Klondyke discoveries promise to start a fever in London as well as New York. The South African successes have educated the Londoner up to the gold fever, and the agents of the Atlantic Transportation Company and other lines tell of many applications from men wishing to go to Alaska.

The new Canadian trans-Atlantic line is actually hurrying work upon a line of new boats so as to get its share of the rush.

The tremendous number of experienced gold miners in London who have worked in South Africa would make formidable rivals to the amateur American fortune-seekers.

Most of the English miners are bound for the Canadian diggings, as they express great confidence in the English regulations concerning mines and discoveries, and in the system of police which the Government will be sure to introduce in the districts as soon as any great number of people are there.

WARM WIRELETS

Among the nominations that failed of confirmation by the Senate yesterday was I. D. Hargett, postmaster at Rocky Mount.

The record breaking steam yacht Elide had a preliminary spin yesterday. Under good steam she made a mile in one minute and forty-three seconds.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sloan, of Morristown, N. J., relatives of the Vanderbilts, left Madison last evening for Alaska. They have gone for pleasure and have no intention of prospecting.

Lieut. Moss and twenty troopers of the Twenty-fifth United States Infantry reached St. Louis yesterday, having completed their 2,000 mile race on bicycles from Fort Missouri, Mont. They started June 14th.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Reserve, increase, $1,894,675; loans, increase, $5,930,900; specie, increase, $146,700; legal tenders, increase, $3,492,600; deposits, increase, $9,958,500; circulation, decrease, $106,500. The banks now hold $47,864,575 in excess of the requirements of the twenty-five per cent. rule.

A "Kentucky Trust."

A committee of the Chamber of Commerce have issued the following circular to the members of that body:

DEAR SIR: The evidences of prosperity in our city are more apparent to-day than at any time in the past twenty years.

We believe that the Chamber of Commerce as a body can inaugurate and put in motion a sentiment that will advance the interests of all. That the time is propitious.

In order that we may meet and greet each other, and discuss the ways and means by which our interests as a city can be advanced, we propose that we all meet at the Seashore Hotel at an early date and have supper—each one paying his own expenses—at which time suggestions looking to the advancing of our interests as a city will be in order. Will you come? Please advise some member of the Committee, within the next five days, whether you will be present or not.

A Stupendous Farce.

So far as the school tax election is concerned, in Pitt county, says the Greenville *Weekly*, it is a farce. Few of the registrars and poll holders will serve, and out of eighteen voting precincts the county registration books have been taken by the registrars of only eight out of the eighteen.

We are yet to hear of either one of those in which the registrars organized, &c., according to law.

A legal election cannot be held in any township

BUSINESS LOCALS.

NOTICES For Rent or Sale, Lost and Found Wants, and other short miscellaneous advertisements inserted in this Department in leaded Nonpareil type, on first or fourth page, at Publisher's option, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 30 cents. Terms positively cash in advance.

Dr. Galloway will be in Elizabethtown Wednesday, the 28th, professionally. Practice limited to Eyes, Ears, Nose and Throat. jy 25 1t*

Wilmington Bicyc'e Store, Princess between Front and Second streets. High Grade Wheels Cheap. Repairing Wheels a specialty. All work guaranteed. Haywood F. Newkirk, machinist, W. R. Morrison, sole owner. jy 25 3t*

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For Sale—The best family Horse in the city; 6 years old, perfectly sound and gentle. Also Phaeton and Harness. D. McEachern. jy 24 3t

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Seven hundred yards Lined received by rail yesterday. Summer Corsets at 43 cents. A big drive in Gent's Alpaca Coats. Good Lawns from 3½ to 12 cents per yard. J. J. Shepard, 18 Market street. jy 20 tf

Go to M. C. Benson's, 5 South Water street, for N. C. Hams, fresh Mountain Butter, Consignments of country produce solicited. Beef Cattle and Mutton a specialty. jy 8 tf

H. H. Stone & Co. headquarters for anything in the Grocery line. One car load Water Ground Meal. One car load of each assorted Flour. Five hundred sales Timothy Hay. One car load Corn. 7 South Water street. je 20 tf

Bananas, Apples, Figs, Dates, Lemons, Oranges, Peanuts, Cakes and Crackers, Nuts, Candies of all kinds. These are some of the things I offer for sale. Prices sure to please. A. E. Winstead, 115 North Second street. je 27 tf

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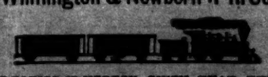

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